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**Fine Carbon Division** 

# Division Profile

Backed by years of expertise, Fine Carbon Division seeks to explore the unlimited potential offered by carbon. In addition to carbon nanofiber <VGCF<sup>TM</sup>> and fuel battery materials already on the market, we are devoting our energies to the production, development, and the development of applications for various high-functionality carbon products, including battery materials, electronics materials, and materials for alternative energy solutions.

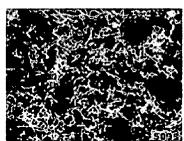
#### \* Fine-Carbon-related Product Line

Vapor Grown Carbon Fiber <vgcf ™=""></vgcf>	*Material for a variety of electrodes for secondary batteries *Electrically/Thermally conductive material (e.g. additives for resin)
Glassy Carbon Composite <sg carbon="" sr=""></sg>	*For use in fuel cells and a variety of secondary batteries
Ultra Fine Artificial Graphite Powder <ufg ™=""></ufg>	*Electrically conductive material (e.g. additives for resin) *For use in a variety of batteries
Homogeneous Graphite <smg ™=""></smg>	Material for a variety of processed goods
Product under development <scmg> (anode carbon material for use in Lithium-ion secondary batteries)</scmg>	Anode carbon material for use in lithium ion secondary batteries

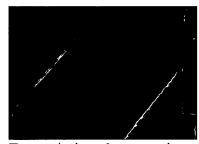
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### <Electron microscopic photograph of VGCF TM>



Scanning electron microscope



Transmission electron microscope

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Artificial graphite powder 〈UFG™〉 ◇◇◇◇◇

UFG is a high-grade artificial graphite powder produced by our proprietary graphitization technology and treated at ultra-high temperatures of 3,000 °C. It features stable properties, with numerous application, among which are increased lubricity and thermal and electrical conductivity.

#### \* Features

- UFG contains fewer impurities and is more stable than natural graphite.
- UFG offers high thermal conductivity and sliding properties (lubricity) beyond the capacity of carbon black.
- UFG can be loaded into resins at high densities to produce resins with low electrical resistance.
- We offer high production capacity for UFG and are able to immediately fill even large orders.
- Other particle sizes are also available by special order.

#### **Typical properties**

			Ash	Sulfur content [%]	True specific gravity [g/cm3]	Bulk density [g/cm <sup>3</sup> ]	Particle size distribution	
	Fixed carbon [%]	carbon	Volatile content [%]				Mean particle diameter [μ m]	Cumulative total [%]
UFG-5	98.0 over	1.0 under	1.0 under	0.03	2.2	From 0.1 to 0.2	from 1.5 to 4.5	Larger than 6 μm 20% or less
UFG-10	99.3 over	0.4 under	0.6 under	0.03	2.2	From 0.2 to 0.3	from 2.5 to 6.5	Larger than 12 µm 20% or less
UFG-30	99.4 over	0.4 under	0.6 under	0.03	2.2	From 0.2 to 0.3	from 9.0 to 12.0	Larger than 32 µm 20% or less

## \* Applications

- To impart thermal and electrical conductivity to resins and rubbers
- To impart sliding properties to resins and rubbers
- To impart sliding properties (lubricity) to metals

• Pore-forming material for ceramics (for manufacturing porous ceramics)

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